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### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Datia\* Pallets react with atmospheric moisture to form and release the poisonous gas phosphine (Syn: Hydrogen Phosphide). The reaction begins about 1 hour after exposure to sir, Atmospheric and/or commodity temperature dictates the rate and duration of the reaction.

### HAZARDS TO HUMANS: DANGER

Wear gloves when handling. Open Itasks in well ventilated areas, preferably outside. Do not breathe vapors. Do not breathe valus. Do not get pellet dust in eyes or on hands, skin or clothing. Do not est, drink or smoke white handling. Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after handling. Have available a gas mask and canister approved by the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Mines, for phosphine protection.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS: Spontaneous (gnitton may result if pellets come into contact with water or other liquids, Phosphine reacts corresively with coper, bress, odd and other precious metals.

SYMPTOMS OF PHOSPHINE POISONING: Sansation of cold, diarrhea, gastic pains, acute indigestion, diarlness, dry cough, loss of appetite, intense thirst, vomiting, entarged pupils, choking attacks, resting.

ANTIDOTE-FIRST AID: Any of the above may be taken as symptoms of phosphine poisoning. At first warning take victim to fresh air immediately. CALL A DOCTORIL Lay the victim down, keep warm with blankets. Supply pure oxygen and maintain respiration, artificially if necessary, until the doctor arrives. If the pellets of the pellet dust has been swallowed, call a physician or Poleon Control Center. Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce romitling by touching back of throat with finger, or, if available, by administering syrup of isecse. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconactious person.

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# RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE

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# PELLETS

A Fumigant For Use Against Listed Insects Which Infest Listed Raw Agricultural Commodities And Animal Feeds

Active ingredient; Aluminum Phosphide 37% hert ingredients: 43% 105AL 100%

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN;

# DANGER-POISON

Statement of Practical Treatment

II Swallowed: Call a physician or Poison Control Center, Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water

If inhaled:

Center, Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce vomiling by touching back of throat with tinger, or, if available, by administering syrup of Ipecac. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconsclous person. Remove victim to tresh air, immobilize and keep warm. Sustain breathing, articially if necessary. CALL A PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY.

See Side Panets for Additional First Aid Procedures

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Net Contents: 1440 Pellets

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# **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

This product is toxic to fish. Keep out of lakes, streams and other aquatic environments. Do not contaminate water by cleaning equipment or disposal of wastes.

# DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

Refer to the Instruction booklet titled "APPLICATION PRO-CEDURES FOR DETIA" PELLETS AND DETIA" TABLETS" for detailed use instructions. Used as directed thercin Detta" Pellets will aid in the control of granary weevil, rice weevil lesser grain borer, rad flour beetle, indian meal moth, saw loothed grain beetle, confused flour beetle, bean weevil, and their pre-adult stages (egg-larrae-pupse).

# STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

STORAGE: Store in dry, tocked ventilated room or building Protect from motsture, open flames, heat, acids and other chemicals. Never store near homes or living quarters

### PESTICIDE DISPOSAL

Pesticide or rinsate that cannot be used according to label Instructions must be disposed of according to Federal, State or Local procedures under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

### DISPOSAL OF EMPTY CONTAINERS

METHOD 1: Triple linse with soapy water (or equivalent) and offer for recycling or reconditioning, or dispose of in a samilary tandfill, or by other approved state and local pro-

METHOD 2: Expose residual aluminum phosphide to atmospheric conditions as recommanded in labeling. Dispose. In a sanitary landfill or by other approved state and local procedures.

The booklets "APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR DETIA" PELLETS AND DETIA" TABLETS" and "INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTRANSIT FUMIGATION OF SHIPHOLOS WITH DETIA" GAS EXB, DETIA" PELLETS AND DETIA" TABLETS" are a part of labeling. They contain specific use instructions concerning the lumigation of listed Raw Agricultural Commodities, Animal Feeds, Processed Foods, Non-Food Products and Stored Tebacce; information concerning dosage and exposure, and other information necessary to proportly use Detia" Pellets.



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**TABLETS** 

PHOSPHINE FUMIGANTS
FOR
USE AGAINST LISTED INSECTS
WHICH INFEST LISTED RAW AGRICULTURAL
COMMODITIES, ANIMAL FEEDS, PROCESSED FOODS,
NON-FOOD PRODUCTS, AND STORED TOBACCO

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# INTRODUCTION

This brochure has been prepared as an aid in educating users of Lietla\* Peliets and Delia\* Tablets.

The history of Delia\* is long, dating back to the mid-1930's. In 1970 the first Delia\* aluminum phosphide preparation was introduced into the United States, Detia\* Gas EX-8 The manufacturer, Dr. Werner Freyberg, Chemische Fabrik, Weinheim, West Germany was the early pioneer in the development of phosphine as a fumigant.

Aluminum Phosphide preparations produce a polsonous and toxic gas. When used properly they are affective as an aid in controlling insect pests of stored raw agricultural commodities, processed foods, animal feeds, non-food products, and stored tobacco and are designed to accomplish specific objectives when used as directed.

It is the intent of Research Products Company to provide information in this brochure which will be beneficial in the training of users.

# **IMPORTANT**

Delia® Pellets and Delia® Tablets are to be used only by qualified adult personnel that meet the certification requirements alliquiated in the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, Rodenticide Act of 1972, as amended. Neither product is to be used, storad or otherwise handled in or near homes or other residences. Neither product is to be used for any purpose or in any manner other than those consistent with labeling.

Important: Both the label on the container and this brochure must be read, studied and reviewed before using either Detia® Pelieta or Detia® Tableta.

# **ABOUT THE PREPARATIONS FORMULA**

| Aluminum Phosphide                       |  |
|--|--|
| Inert Ingradienta                        |  |
| Total                                    |  |
| <ul> <li>Registered Trademark</li> </ul> |  |

DETIA® PELLETS: They consist primarily of a mix hamate and urea pressed into hard, nearly spherical pe each and will release about 0.2 grams of hydrogen phosp is partially responsible for the delayed release of phosph temperature and relative humidity. The greater each is, t gray-white powder remains comprised mostly of aluminu tightly bound aluminum phosphide.

The pellets are packed in stoppered aluminum flasks holi is possible to remove only the number of pellets require

DETIA\* TABLETS: The tablets weigh 3 grams each are 4/5" in diameter and 1/5" thick. Decomposition of the acrew-top cans holding 500 tablets each.

Both preparations react with atmospheric moisture to re-

2 AIP + 6 H20-

# WHAT IS HYDRO

Hydrogen phosphide, more commonly known and referee odor like that of decaying fish, garlic or commercial c penetrating capability of hydrogen phosphide is great. I and loxicity to insects accounts for its wide acceptance at 0.1 ppm for raw agricultural commodities and animal

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# COMMODITIES APPROVED FOR FUMIGATION

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the post harv cessed foods, animal feeds, non-food products, and sto

### **RAW AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES**

Rice, Wheat, Barley, Corn, Oats, Sorghum, Millet, Rye Filberts, Pecans, Pistachio Nuts, Walnuts, Cashew, Bra Salliower Seeds, Seed and Pod Vegetables, (Adzukl Re-Beans, Green Spilt Peas, Lentils Peas, Lima Beans, Mic Split Urds), Sesame Seed, Flower Seed, Vegetable Seed

### PROCESSED FOODS

Cereal Flours, and Milled Fractions, Soybean Flour a Noodles, Pasta, Malt (processed grains), Bakery Mixes, F Cream of Wheat, Processed Coffee/Tea (roasted-drie Seasoning, Condiments (ground), Cookles, Crackers, S Creamers, Orled Powdered Milk, Processed Almonds, B Nuts, Walnuts, Dehydrated Polato Products, Dried App tots, Dried Eggs, Apricot Kernels, Primary Yeast, Dates, tits, Oried Peas.

# ANIMAL FEED OR FEED INGREDIENTS

### NON-FOOD PRODUCTS

Cotton (cloth and unprocessed), Feathers, Human Hair, i Wood and Bamboo Products.

### INSECTS WHICH CAN BE FUMIGATED WITH DETIAS PELLETS AND TABLETS:

Used as directed they will provide an aid in the control of granary weevil, rice weevil, maize weevil, lesser grain borer, saw-toothed grain beetle, bean weevil, cigarette beetle, cadelle anoumnes grain moth, red cadelle anoumnes grain moth, red wellow meat worm. Mediterranean thour moth, and dric. I fruit moth.

Refer to the sections titled APPLICATION PROCEDURES for detailed use instruction.

### **CAN THEY BE MISUSED**

Yes! A misuse is an use that contributes to ineffective results or is likely to result in a situation that is dangerous or hazardous to life. Or, is a use inconsistent with labeling.

- Dosage recommendations have been carefully calculated. Users should not exceed label recommendations. It is important to realize that a shortened exposure period cannot be compensated for with an increased dosage.
- 2 Hydrogen phosphide is a very volatile gas with a high vapor pressure. Even though extremely toxic to insects it is very necessary that any structure being furnigated be sealed as gas tight as possible. To miss seating any single large coening will ruin a lumigation. To miss seating only a very few small openings or cracks will materially affect results. Furthermore, any feakage could under certain circumstances endanger life.
- They should never be used in such a manner as to allow for the build-up of gas whereby the
  concentration in Bir would reach the lower ignition level of 1.79% by volume (17,900 ppm).
  Recommended dosage levels are far below that required to reach the tower limit.
- 4. In contact with water or other figures they can under-go spontaneous heating and spontaneous ignition of the evolved phosphine. Therefore, never use pollets or tablets in a manner that might lead to contact with water or other figures.

The release of hydrogen phosphide from both preparations is controlled by design. There is no safe way to accelerate the decomposition and reaction.

- 6. Hydrogen phosphide is capable of penetrating through a wide variety of dense and/or seemingly gas "ight materials. Most masonry block walls, for example, will be penetrated given enough time. The end but could be an ineffective immigation and the endangerment of life in adjoining rooms. The same build be true of poorly constructed wooden attructures.
  - Hydrogen phosphide reacts corrosively with copper, brass, gold, and other precious metals. Thus, switch gear, communication devices, small electric motors, etc., should be protected or removed before lumigation. It removal is impossible some protection can be afforded by using vaseline on contact points or totally wrapping devices with heavy polyethylene film.
- Della<sup>9</sup> Pellets and Della<sup>9</sup> Tablets must not be used so that they or their unreacted residues
  come in contact with any processed lood, except processed brewer's rice, mail, and corn grills stored
  in breweries for use in the manufacture of beer.

# APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR BULK RAW AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES 1

FOREWORD: Pellets are particularly suited for the fumigation of bulk stored commodities in conventional grain elevator type vertical bins or allos. Such structures are invariably equipped to easily turn or transfer commodities from one bin to another. Tablets, on the other hand, are particularly suited for use in storage facilities that are not equipped to conveniently turn or transfer commodities. There are many such "ital storage" structures routinely used by commodity handlers. A typical example would be a metal or wood frame building.

The application procedure for pellets or tablets in vertical bins is to arrange for their uniform and continuous addition to the commodity stream as a bin is filled. The fumigation of flat storage with pellets or tablets involves their uniform distribution throughout the commodity mass using probes designed for such use or acattering them on the commodity surface. In either case a prerequisite to fumigation is a storage facility that can be properly sealed or otherwise prepared. Proper preg aration is essential for two reasons, (1) to insure to the extent possible the effective control of insects and, (2) to protect man and other forms of life from hydrogen phosphide during the fumigation. Hydrogen phosphide is highly volatile and will penetrate through, given enough time, a variety of seemingly gas tight materials. As an example It will slowly diffuse through concrete. Diffusion through less dense materials will be faster. It is therefore imperative that all adjoining rooms, bins, sitos or other enclosed spaces be evacuated while the fumigation is in process. As will be shown in the EXPOSURE GUIDE a fumigation will take several days.

Preparation will consist of at least the following steps:

Grain elevator type bins and silos: (1) Seating of all tunnel outlets, spouts or gates with putty or caulking compound, in some cases it will be possible to use heavy polyethylene bags or titm in combination with high-lack macking or duct tape. (2) Ssaling off any other connecting openings into the bins such as downspouts from other bins, yent holes into adjacent bins, atmospheric ventilators, and manways using gas tight materials. Do not use burlap bags, paper or other porous materials.

Flat storage: (1) Sealing of all openings such as aeration duct openings, vents, doors, spouts, and windows. (2) Sealing of any connecting downspouts, elevator legs or conveyors. (3) Locking or otherwise securing all entry ways.

In addition to the foregoing other steps must be taken such as notifying local authorities (fire, police, etc.), posting of danger signs, being certain first aid information and proper respiratory protection equipment is at the aits, being certain that all adjoining facilities are evacuated, posted and locked, being certain of the recommended application procedures, and that operators have been trained and understand labeling.

DIRECTIONS/PELLETS: Peliets are designed for use in automatic dispensers. (1) Determine dosage and pour the required number of peliets into the dispenser reservoir. (2) Start transfer of the commodity. (3) Allow the bin to IIII for a minute or so and then activate the dispenser. (4) Check the calibration to see that the proper addition rate has been achieved. (5) Upon completion of the transfer the dispenser should be empty. If a few peliets remain place them back in the peliet flash or, scatter them onto the surface of the commodity. (6) Close and seal the IIII opening and post a danger sign.

\*Detia\* Pelieta and Detia\* Tablets may be used as described in this section for fumigating processed brawers rice, mail, and corn grits stored in breweries for use in the manufacture of beer.

<sup>2</sup>Tablets may also be used in specially designed automatic dispensers as described herein.

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DIRECTIONS/TABLETS: When tablets are probed into con-~dilles stored in that storage, the procedure is more complicated than that for surface application or treatment of vertical bins and calls for more planning, organization and in practically server, case several workers under the suspection of a coordinator. The basic procedure is to uniformly insert, or probe, the required number of tablets into the commodity pile with specially designed probes. It is essential that a pre-fumigation plan be adopted and followed. This following hypothetical situation is offered as a durids:

- A building 50 ft, will e and 100 ft, long with grain leveled to a depth of 15 ft, will hold about 50,000 bushels and requires a minimum dosage of 3600 tablets at 60 per 1000 bushels.
- Determine the area of the grain surface as square feet and divide by 50 (sq. feet) to determine the number of probe insertions required.

5000 = 100 probes

3. Divide the dosage by the number of probes to determine the number of tabletalprobe.

3600 tablets = 36 tablets/probe

4. The depth of the grain minus 3 ft, produces the probe depth.

15' - 3'=12', probe depth.

 As the probe is withdrawn from a depth of 12 ft, tablets are dropped every 12 inches or so. By dividing the probe dosage (36) by the probe depth (12) produces the number of tablets to be dropped every 12 inches as the probe is withdrawn.

 $\frac{36}{12} = 3 \text{ labiels per drop}$ 

- Experience shows that two workers can make 15, 12 ff. probe insertions per hour including tablet drops
  during withdrawal. Even so, lest probes to the required depth are suggested beforehand to determine
  exact probing conditions.
- Tablets will begin to produce phosphire in quantity in about 3 hours. However, all work should be completed in 2 hours or less.
- Thus, with the 2 hour working fimit a two worker crew can be expected to make 30 insertions. With 100
  insertions required it means 3.3, 2 worker crews.

100 probes = 3 3, 2 morker craws

- 9. This allustion catts for 3.3, 2 worker crews. The common sense approach is to use 4 crews of 8 workers plus a coordingtor for a total of 9. The basic requirements are now known, 1 is. 100 insertions with 9 workers. The coordinator should then plot the grain surface and mark the insertion points, arrange for the placement of tablet containers at appropriate intervals and map out the path to be followed.
- 10. When all preparation has been made the probing begins. The coordinator should not actually lake part as his responsibility to coordinate, mark time and see that all work is according to pran.
- 11. Generally speaking gas masks need not actually be worn. One for each worker should be readily available, however, and on the job site in the event they are needed. It will be the job of the coordinator to periodically test the working atmosphere above the commodity surface for the presence of hydrogen phosphide using an appropriate testing device. If concentrations develop in the working atmosphere before probing is complete he must stop the work and see to it that gas masks are worn.

The hypothetical situation presented provided for a level surface and grain 15 ft. deep. With an unlevel commodity surface and/or dc aper storage the task becomes more difficult. IT IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT SOME FLAT STORAGE UNITS CANNOT BE FUMIGATED BY PROBING DETIA\* TABLETS. There may be several reasons.

- I. Not enough head room to permit workers to operate the probes.
- 2. Highly peaked commodities or otherwise irregular surfaces that would over burden workers as they move about.
- Storage so deep or so compacted that insertion of the probes to the lower depths is impossible, thus, preventing
  uniform distribution of the tablets.
- 4. Or, any other condition that will prevent application within the 2 hour working limit.

Unless the first storage unit is tight by design and then properly sealed at the normal openings it will be necessary to cover the commodity surface with plastic film or other gas proof materials in order to obtain an effective furnigation. If this is not possible more suitable furnigants should be considered.

Tablets can also be used to SPOT FUMIGATE. The procedure is to determine the volume of the infested area, by probe sample, and then double it. Determine the dosage on the basis of the highest dosage permitted in tabeling. Using probes insert the tablets uniformly throughout the "Spot", if the spot is close to or near the surface place poly little or other gas proof materials over the area following interplion of the tablets.

Spot fumigation is, at best, an inexact art and witt provide only partial results.

### DOSAGE AND EXPOSURE

Furnigation is more of an art than a science. There is no practise formula available to determine exact dosage requirements for a given set of conditions. It is known that hydrogen phosphide is highly toxic to insects at very low concentrations. This can be easily demonstrated under controlled isboratory conditions. Furningston in the liable is an entirely different matter, however, and calls for a close evaluation of existing conditions bufors a dosage is sefected. There are many factoris to consider but there are two that ser basic. (1) is the storage structure of such construction and design that it can be well seeled? (2) Can a uniform application of either patiets or tablats be accommissived?

A "yes" enswer to both questions will permit the use of the lower dosages. A "no" to either question will call for higher dosages.

. Here is no way in this brochure to address every condition that will affect dosage. Therefore the dosage achedule to follow is presented only as a guide. It is up to the user to determine what dosage best matches the conditions faced.

### SUGGESTED DOSAGE SCHEDULE

|         | Per 1000 cu ft. | Per 1000 Bu. |
|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Palleta |                 | 124-415      |
| Tableta | 20.66           | 24.95        |

When lablets are used for flat storage furnigation it may be necessary to compensate for the expected loss of gas with increased decages. Even under the best of circumstances a good deal of gas will be fost. If there happens to be high wind the gas 105s will be explicated.

The establishment of the exposure period is a critical determination. For all gractical purpose the temperature of the grain's the deciding factor. Not to be over-looked, however, is the importance of humidity. Both temperature and humidity influence the rate of decomposition. The higher each is the feater the release of hydrogen phosphide. As attack, however, from a gractical standpoint the commodify temperature determines the exposure period.

In that connection the following table can be used as a guide for determining exposure periods.

### **EXPOSURE QUIDE**

### **PFLLETS**

| Commodity Temperature C* | Łı.       | Required<br>Exposure Period |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 44 S billow              | Below 405 |                             |
| 51- 114                  | '0' - 53' |                             |
| 121-151                  | 54-57     |                             |
|                          |           |                             |
| Abox 6 20°               | Abova 681 | 2 days (48 hrs )            |

### TABLETS

| 4" & below . | <br>Do Kur Fumigate    |
|--------------|------------------------|
| 54 - 134     | <br>10 days (240 hrs ) |
|              |                        |
| 16' 20'      | <br>4 days (96 hrs.)   |
| Abore 201    | <br>3da/s(72hrs)       |

As stated the foregoing table is a guido. Whenever possible exposure parieds should be lengthened and not shortened. The key to effective essetts like with correct decage, long exposure pariete, pr. per application, and well seated slareds alternative.

NOTE THAT NEITHER THE PELLETS NOR TABLETS SHOULD BE USED WHEN COMMODITY TEMPERATURES. ARE BELOY 40F. At these temperatures the decomposition of the preparations, a greatly setaided.

### **POST FUMIGATION PROCEDURES**

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FOREWORD. It will be important to at ways meet the minimum exposure requirements and to exceed them whenev ar possible. It is winterly impossible to achieve a "100% bit" of insects under field conditions. This is particularly true for the pre-adult stages - egg, tarva and pupe. It is to the advantage of the user to feave the commodity "under ges" for as long as possible in order to increase the effectiveness of the furnigation.

Because there is no reason to have to serate a bin or other structure it is not necessary to follow any set procedure such as removing seals, opening vents and doors, activating seration devices (if present), etc. at a specified time. Once minimum exposure requirements have been met the commodity can be serated, transferred or left atone at the option of the user.

Any remaining phosphine will dissipate rapidly to almosphere once seals are removed and the commodity is disturbed by physical transfer or agretion whether forced or natural. In order to place the proportion in prespective consider that he a 30,000 bushel aito is total of perhaps 9,000 pellets will be applied (300 pellets x 30M), 9000 pellets will yield about 1800 grams of phosphine, or only about 4 pounds, During the appost re-period lines may be seepage and lost of phosphine. The percentage of loss will very depending on the tightness of the structure. By the time exposure requirements have been materially reduced. Aeration of the commodity will rapidly remore what is left whether by transfer or otherwise.

#### PROCEDURE - GRAIN ELEVATOR TYPE STORAGE

- 3. As a precautionary measure lest working areas before work begins for phosphine using appropriate testing distinct. If detroid workers should wear appropriate respiratory protection equipment until an traces of gas have vanished.
- Open doors and windows or otherwise create a draft through tunnets and other enclosed spaces beneath bins.
- 3. Unseat bin bottoms, activate conveyors and begin the transfer. The natural draft through lunnels in combination with air movement caused by the operation of conveying equipment, elevator legs, dust fillers, sic, will quickly dilute any phosphine coming with the commodity from the bin.
- 4. Remoya danget signs

### PROCEDURE - FLAT STORAGE

- Working from outside remove all seals, open doors and windows and activate head space ventilation fans if present.
- 2. If seration fant are present activate and operate for an hour or so.
- 3. Ventilate any tunnels or enclosed spaces beneath buildings
- Before allowing workers to enter the building test the working areas for phosphine. If detected continue serating.
- 5. Remove danger signs.

Both tablets and pellets decompose feering behind a gray-white dust like material. The dust will be automatically removed through aspiration and normal handling proceduras when the commodity is moved or transferred.

### DISPOSAL

The foregoing application procedures precipte the necessity of having to dispose of either untrested pelists or their dust-like remains. There are situations, however, when disposal or special handling may be necessary:

- LEAKING FLASKS: Wearing a gas mark or suitable respirator (SEE SECTION ON SAFETY EQUIPMENT)
  transfer pellsts to a sound lisak, secura the Ctopper, arrange to use at the first opportunity.
- 2. SPILLS: Immediately pick up the peliets c+tablets and place them back into the original container. Reseal it.

If decomposition has begun evacuate the area, put on a gas mask or suitable respirator, sweep up the pellets, or their dust, and place into any available, dry receptacle. Yake immediately to an open isotated area and bury.

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### **APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR SPACE FUMIGATIONS**

### INTRODUCTION

This section describes the recommended method for using DETIAP. Patiets end/or DETIAP Tablets for space furnigalions in buildings, warehouses, milis, food processing plants, atmospharic chambers, freight containers, van type traiters, tarped commodities and other static enclosures which can be seated. Before proceeding with a lumigation be certain that all operators have carefully read this booklet and the label and have been fully trained in the use of the product.

#### IMPORTANT

There are at least four factors that materially affect a fumigation:

- t. Dosage
- 2. Temperature and relative humidity
- 3. Exposure period
- 4. How well a storage structure is sealed

### DOSAGE AND EXPOSURE

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A "yes" answer will permit the use of the lower dosages. A "no" will call for higher dosages.

There is no way in this brochure to address every condition that will affect dosage. Therefore the dosage schedule to follow is presented only as a guide. It is up to the user to determine what dosage best matches the conditions faced.

### **SUGGESTED DOSAGE SCHEDULE**

(non-tobacco apace fumigations)

The establishment of the exposure period is a critical determination. For all practical purposes the temperature inside the storage structure is the deciding factor. Not to be over-looked, however, is the importance of hur udity. Both temperature and humidity influence the rate of decomposition. The higher each is the feater the release of hydrogen phosphide. As stated, however, from a practical standpoint the temperature determines the exposure period.

In that connection the tables on page? can be used as guides for 6:1 semining exposure periods.

### TOBACCO DOSAGE/EXPOSURE GUIDE

Tobacco Temperature Above 80°F

| Temperature          | Dosage                  |                          | Minimum Exposure |
|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
|                      | Pellets/<br>1000 cv.ft. | Tablete/<br>1000 cu. II. |                  |
| Above 68°F           | 100                     | 20                       | 4 days           |
| 80° - 68°            | 100                     | 20                       | 6 days           |
| Post Furrigation Ass | illon                   | ioosheade                | 3 daya minimum   |
|                      |                         |                          | 2 days minimum   |

### Tobacco Temperature: 401 - 59\*F

Best results are achieved when tobacco is fumigated at temperatures above 60°F. However, whose it is not possible to achieve these temperatures, lumigation at temperatures in the 40° — 50°F. range have provided satisfactory controls of the cigarette beetle farves. Eggs and puppe of the cigarette beetle may survive a fumigation at these tower temperatures. The appropriate exposure periods for fumigation of tobacco are:

| 50'F - 59'F. | <i></i> |         | . , 7 daya |
|--------------|---------|---------|------------|
| 40'F - 49'F  |         | <i></i> | 14 days    |

NOTE: Warehouses and containers must be tightly sealed.

Post fumigation seration time is a minimum of 4 days.

### A WORD ABOUT SEALING

Storage structures and containers must be well sealed for good results. Poor sealing will ruin a furnigation.

There are many factors affecting a fumigation but most are minor compared to the four mentioned. Of particular importance is seating. A stogle toose used will materially affect the results. An overlooked opening will cause the fumigation to be a fatture. Proper seating cannot be over-emphasized.

Dosage, Temperature/Humidity and Exposure Period are very closely related. A deficiency in one area cannot be compensated for by another. Example...Minimum indicated exposure period cannot be compensated for with increased dosage.

It is important to compare the labeling with existing conditions and to follow labeling recommendations closely.

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- 1 Read the tabet and tabeling.
- 2. Determine dosage and collect all necessary materials.
- 3. Seal all doors, windows, vents, and other openings except for door being used to enter and teave. Use any combustion of masking tape, caulking compound, polyethytene film or other equivatent materials to senieve a tight seal. The structure should be sealed as gas light as possible. Be certain that all passageways, vents, electrical conduits, etc. to connecting buildings are locked and/or tightly sealed.
- Post danger signs in prominent locations and on all ground level doors. Be certain entrances are securely locked.

The recommended method of applying DETIA\* Pellets and/or Tablets is to pour them from their flasks onto sheets of paper. Shallow trays can also be used

The floor area selected for placement of the paper must be dry, clean and unobstructed. Determine beforehend the ultimate distribution pattern, and establish a plan for eventual placement of petiets or tablets. Place the paper sheets according to petiet or tablet distribution plan.

You are now ready to begin placement of the pellats or tablets. Very "arge buildings may require several operators to achieve placement in the time attotted. The total etapsed time from when flasks are furst opened and when placement is complete at warm temperatures should be approximately by hour per itoor of building. Full face gas masks with consisters meeting the specifications of MESAMHOSH or the U.S. Bureau of Mines for phosphine should be immediately available.

- 5 When fumigating multiple story buildings, each floor is considered separately with respect to dosage, and petiets or tablets are placed on each floor. Placement should begin with the uppermost floor and and with the ground floor.
- 8. Pour and/or place the peliets or tablets onto the paper in a single layer.
- 7. Vacate building, seal doors and secure with a lock.
- 8. Check for leakage of gas.

### POST FUMIGATION PROCEDURE

- 1. Exposure period should correspond to instructions herein with respect to temperature.
- 2. Open as many doors, vents, windows, etc. as possible without entering the storage structure.
- Enter after approximately two hours and systematically open any additional doors, journers, vents, or windows
  to permit good rentifation. Operators should work in pairs and wear specified gas masks.
- 4. Activate any power ventilistion systems. Fermit building to air out for several hours.
- 8. Determine for the presence of phosphine gas using appropriate gas detection equipment. Operators should work in pairs wearing specified gas masks.
- 6. When free of gas remove danger signs.

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Assettion of Tobacco — Above 60°F serate hogsheads for a minimum of target days. Bates require
a minimum of two days. Below 60°F serate for a minimum of four days.

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Activate power ventitation from outside as a first step, if possible.

- 1. Read the tabel and tabeling.
- 2. Determing dosage and collect all necessary materials.
- 3. Seal doors, vents, cracks, and other openings except for the door being used for entry and exil. Use any combination of masking tape, Leuking compound, Systems film or other equivalent materials to achieve a tight seal The containing should be sealed as gas tight as possible.
- 4. Post danger signs on all sides and/or doors.
- 5. The total elapsed time from when flasks are first opened and when placement is complete at warm temperatures should be approximately 'y hour or less. Full face gas masts with consister meeting the specifications of MESAMIGIST or the U. S. Bureau of Mines for phosphine should be immediately exiliable.
- Pour and/or place pellets or tablets in a single layer into trays or similar devices and place tablets storage structure.
- Yacate storage structure, seal doors and secure with tooks.
- Do not move trucks, vans, or trailers during furnigation. They must be completely serated before movement is allowed.

### POST FUMIGATION PROCEDURE

- 1. Exposure period should correspond to instructions herein with respect to temperature.
- 2. Open doors
- 3. After one-half hour determine for the presence of phosphine gas using appropriate gas detection equipment.
- 4. When free of phosphine remove danger signs.

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- 1. Read the label and labeling
- 2. Consolidate commodities to be fumigated
- 3. Calculate cubic footage of each group of commodities. Refer to Suggested Dosage Schedule on page 6.
- 4. Collect all necessary materials...I.e. polysthylene film, danger signs, peper plates, tape or other materials for seating. Two mit polysthylene film can be used inside, but for outside furnigations the tarp should be at least 4 mit. When furnigating outside, black polysthylene film is praferable if the tarp is to be re-used. Equivatent materials may be used in place of those named above.
- Spread the tarp over the commodities. Tarps may be spliced together with tape, heat sealing, bonding give, or tarp ctamps.
- Secure the larg tightly to the floor with masking tape, bonding glue, sand snakes or other equivalent methods fearing a small section toose for insertion of furnigent.

Place the tarp under commodities that are placed on porous surfaces such as wood.

7. Post a danger sign on all four sides.

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- 8. Pour and/or place pellets or tablets in a single layer into trays or similar devices and place under taro.
- 9. Seal the opening which was left for insertion of Detia\* Pallets or Tab'ets.
- 4.0. Normally, work may continue around targed commodities during the furnigation. The O.S.H.A. time weighted average is .3 ppm. However, it with be necessary to test for phosphine at regular intervals during the exposure period.

#### POST FUMIGATION PROCEDURE

### Terped Commodilies Inside Building

- 1. Exposure period should correspond to instructions herein with respect to temperature.
- 2. Evacuate building and post danger signs on entrances.
- 3. Open as many doors, vents, windows, atc. as possible.
- 4. Activate any power ventifation systems.
- Remove tarps from commodities. Operators should work in pairs wearing specified gas masks.
- 6. Parmit building to air out.
- 7. Determine for the presence of phosphine gas using appropriate gas detection equipment.
- Operators should work in pairs and wear specified gas masks.

# When free of gas remove danger signs. Tarped Commodities Outside Building

- 1. Exposure period should correspond to instructions herein with respect to temperature.
- 2. Remove tares from commodities
- 3. Permit aeration for 30-minutes prior to moving commodities.

NOTE: Assats all fumigated commodities for at teast 48 hours before offering to consumer. Note specific seration distructions for lobacco

### DISPOSAL

Ory Method:The petiets and tablats react with atmospheric moleture during the exposure period and produce hydrogen phosphide (phosphine). During the process the tablats/petieta decompose to form a dust that must be disposed.

It sheets of paper ware used, fold-up in such a way to form a "package". Avoid spitlage of the dust as the package is removed. It is permissible to place the paper/dust packages into dry, re-usable containers such as metal or fiber drums to facilitate transport of the dust to an appropriate burief atte.

If re-usable trays or similar devices were used, instead of sheets of paper, pour the dust into the transport container.

Wel Method: An alternate to the Dry Method is to altury the dust with water. The recommended procedure is to titl a cocepiacle about 1% full with water. Large quantities of dust may require 55 gallon oil drums. Add about 2% by volume of any ordinary liquid detergent. Mix the detergent and water together without creating suds. The objective is to mix the dust with the water which will require agitation as the dust is story; edded.

In either case avoid contact with and/or breathing of the dust, Consult the label for other precautions.

# APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR INTRANSIT FUMIGATION OF RAILCARS BULK LOADED WITH RAW AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

### BOXCARS

After the car is loaded, scatter the required number of tablets or pellets uniformly onto the surface. As distribution to made, force tham a few inches under the surface by either stepping on them or pushing them under by hand.

### HOPPER CARS

After the car is loaded, uniformly scatter the tablets or pellets onto the surface, it may require forcing the commodity away from the fill opening in order to expose the surface.

Railcars should be seated to reduce teakage. Danger signs must be secured to the car in conspicuous locations.

# APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR INTRANSIT FUMIGATION OF RAILCARS LOADED WITH ALL OTHER APPROVED COMMODITIES

A maximum of two liablets or ten pellets may be placed in each pocket of moisture parmeable envelopes. Affix envalopes securely inside car. The residue collected after fumigation may be buried or mixed into soapy water, Refer to page 6, and 7, for dosage and exposure period.

Railcara should be sealed to reduce leakage. Danger signs must be secured to the car in conspicuous focations.

### **ABOUT DANGER SIGNS**

Research Products Company furnishes signs that are considered appropriate. Refer to the illustration below.

Furnigated areas must be placarded on altentrances with signs containing at least the signal word DANGER and the "Skull and Crossbones" and the words "Area under furnigation, do not enter until completely serated, the date of furnigation, name of the furnigant used, emergency telephone number for contact, and the name and address of the furnigator, Do not comove warning signs until the furnigated area is completely serated and safe for entry, as forceded by a suitable detector.

#### **CANGER-POISON**

### KEEP AWAY

Area Under Fumigation, do not enter until completely serated.

Date:

By (name and address):

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Fumigant:

All printing in red on white backing

Whether users make their own signs or obtain them from outside sources, the format and content of the itfustrated placerd should be followed.

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### **EFFECTIVENESS — WHAT TO EXPECT**

There is nothing absolute when it comes to predicting what percentage of an insect population will be killed as the result of furnigation. To expect a "100% kill", meaning all stages of insect life, is unrealistic and esiblom achieved under practical field conditions. Literally interpreted a "100% kill" means every egg, larra, pupp and adult has been killed. A more realistic view is that something less than 100% of a given population will be killed. From a practical viewpoint it is not unreasceable to expect, say, a 95% kill. There will be times when effectiveness approaches 100%—there will be others when effectiveness as more on the order of 90%.

To fall below 90% usually means that something unexpected happened such as the sudden appearance of a high, austained wind during the exposure period. Another example would be the unexpected interruption of a silo filting process whereby the side was only, say is full when the process was stopped and not resumed. The net effect would be that of disting the utilized gas concentration to undestrable feets.

The doseges for Delia® Pallets and Delia® Tablets are lied closely to exposure time and tightly sealed storage structures, and have taken into account many of the conditions normally found in the lief. It would be impossible, however, to address every situation, in very unusual circumstances it would be best to consult the stanch Products Company and determine if it is even possible to furnigate and expect good results. Depending on the exact situation it may make transferring the commodity to a more suitable structure. In others it may mean selecting a more suitable furnizant.

Ol critical importance is to meet minimum exposure requirements and whenever possible to acceed them. As a general rule the pre-adult stages are more difficult to kill than the adults, in this regard it is advantageous to lengthen exposure periods.

### FIRST AID

HYDROGEN PHOSPHIDE IS TOXIC TO ALL FORMS OF ARIMAL LIFE. Exposure through inhalation produces clear symptoms of polosing such as a pressing sensation in the chest, dizziness, nauses, comiting, a prolonged feeling of felin and a rapid on-set of stuper. At the first warning that someone has been affected by phosphine—

- 1. Take the person to fresh air immediately and call a doctor.
- 2. Lay the person down and keep warm with blankets.
- 3. Maintain respiration, artificially if necessary.

If or some reason the pelists or lablets are swalfowed symptoms of avere poisoning will be quickly noticed. Usually heavy voruting followed by unconsciousness. Cell a physician or Poison Control Center. Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce voruting by touching back of threat with larger, or, if available, by administering syrup of specac. On not induce voruting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Repeat until vorut is clear. On NOT DELAYT TAKE THE PERSON TO A HOSPITAL AS FAST AS POSSIBLE. TAKE THIS BOOKLET WITH YOU AS WELL AS THE CONTAINER WITH THE LABEL INTACT. PRESENT BOTH TO THE ATTENDING PHYSICIANS.

### **NOTE TO PHYSICIAN**

Complete rest for patient: 1 - 2 days—no scitrity—keep patient warm, intravenous glucose injections (as normal practice) it patient suffers from nausea and vomiting. If, however, an increase in the blood sugar is found, isotonic saft solutions (physiotopical saft — or Ringer's solution without glucose) must be injected instead.

Inhalation of oxygen or oxygen/carbon dioxide is usually successful. Use of cardiac and circulatory stimulants normatic artificable

in extremely serious cases of poisoning, blood transfusions are recommended, in no circumstances must an ansidotal use be made of fate, olisicastorioth, butter or milk.

Phosphine (PHg) poisoning is not known to be chronic; phosphine action is reversible and symptoms will disappear by themselves.

### SAFETY EQUIPMENT

It is normally not necessary to ectually wear a gas mask when applying Delta® Peliets or Delta® Tablets because the initial gas release from either is delayed by design. However, autilable respiratory protection equipment should be immediately available and close by:

There are a number of suppliers of respiratory protection squipment, Irrespective of the supplier chosen, be certain to specify canisters for protection against phosphine gas and approved by MESAMIOSH or the U. S. Burseu of Bines. Consult your supplier concerning the limitations of the equipment selected.

NOTE: The use of respiratory protection equipment must comply with any and all Federal, State or local regulations. Consult the proper authorities for detailed information.

### **GAS DETECTION EQUIPMENT**

All users of lumigants should have, as standard equipment, gas detection devices designed specifically for the type or kind of fumigant being used. And, they should astablish inflexible policies concerning their routine use.

There are several reliable devices marketed. One of which is the Drager MultiGas Detector. It is a portable, simple device and does not require intensitie training or elaborate supporting equipment to operate. Furthermore it is inexpensively adaptable to remote monitoring procedures and will measure concentrations of phosphine in air in trace amounts of 0.1 ppm on up.

There are other devices equally as reliable. Consult your local suppliers of such equipment or contact Research Products Company for more information.

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# INTRANSIT FUMIGATION OF SHIPHOLDS WITH



DETIA® GAS EX-B, DETIA® PELLETS, AND DETIA® TABLETS

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# NOTICE

1. Prior to fumigating a vessel for intransit cargo fumigation, the master of the vessel or his representative, and the fumigator must determine whether the vessel is suitably designed and configured so as to allow for safe occupancy by the ship's crew throughout the duration of the fumigation.

If it is determined that the design and configuration of the vessel does not allow for safe occupancy by the ship's crew throughout the duration of the fumigation, then the vessel will not be fumigated unless all crew members are removed from the vessel. The crew members will not be allowed to reoccupy the vessel until the vessel has been properly aerated and a determination has been made by the master of the vessel and the fumigator that the vessel is safe for occupancy.

- 2. The person responsible for the fumigation must notify the master of the vessel, or his representative, of the requirements relating to personal protection equipment,\* detection equipment and that a person qualified in the use of this equipment must accompany the vessel with cargo under fumigation. Emergency procedures, cargo ventilation, periodic monitoring and inspections, and first aid measures must be discussed with and understood by the master of the vessel or his representative.
- 3. During the fumigation or until a manned vessel leaves port or the cargo is aerated, the person in charge of the fumigation shall insure that a qualified person using gas or vapor detection equipment tests spaces adjacent to spaces containing fumigated cargo and all regularly occupied spaces for fumigation leakage.

If leakage of the fumigant is detected, the person in charge of the fumigation shall take action to correct the leakage, or shall inform the master of the vessel, or his representative, of the leakage so that corrective action can be taken.

4. If the fumigation is not completed and the vessel aerated before the manned vessel leaves port, the person in charge of the vessel shall insure that at least two units of personal protection equipment and one gas or vapor detection device, and a person qualified in their operation be on board the vessel during the voyage.

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Personal protection equipment means a gas mask fitted with a canister designed for phosphine gas which is approved by the U.S. Dept. of Interior, Bureau of Mines or its equivalent."

### INTRODUCTION

Detia® Gas EX-B, Detia® Tablets and Detia® Pellets are fumigant preparations containing 57% aluminum phosphide (by weight) which when removed from their original shipping containers will liberate Hydrogen Phosphide (phosphine). The reaction between atmospheric moisture and the aluminum phosphide will continue for several days depending on climatic conditions.

# IMPORTANT

- 1. Shipboard fumigation is regulated by the U.S. Coast Guard Regulations 46 CFR 147A.
- 2. Detia® Gas EX-B (EPA Reg. No. 2548-59), Detia® Tablets (EPA Reg. No. 2548-62) and Detia® Pellets (EPA Reg. No. 2548-63) are classified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDES, for retail sale to and use only by Certified Applicators or Persons Under Their Direct Supervision And Only for Those Uses Covered by The Certified Applicator's Certification.
- 3. For additional information refer to labels and booklets entitled "APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR DETIA® PELLETS AND DETIA® TABLETS", "DETIA GAS EX-B INSTRUCTION BOOKLET", and "PROFER HANDLING FIRST AID AND DISPOSAL OF DETIA® GAS EX-B A PHOSPHINE FUNICANT".
- 4. This product is toxic to fish. Keep out of lakes, streams and other aquatic environments. Do not contaminate water by cleaning equipment or disposal of wastes.

# **PROCEDURES**

# Bulk Dry Cargo Vessels

# Prefumigation Procedures

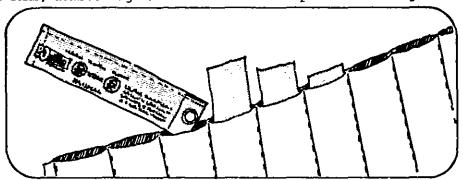
- 1. Refer to and comply with the regulations and procedures found in U.S. Coast Guard Regulations, 46 CFR 147A.
- 2. Determine fumigation suitability of vessel (ship) and be certain that the hold or holds to be fumigated are of such sealable construction to permit an in-transit fumigation without danger to the crew during the application and subsequent voyage.
- 3. Excluding the main hatch opening, seal all other openings to the hold using suitable, water proof, gas tight materials. Lock and or otherwise secure all openings, manways, etc. normally used to enter the hold. Post appropriate "DANGER" signs on same.
- 4. Arrange for enough manpower to make application of the fumigant preparations in two hours or less (per hold).
- Contact appropriate authorities.

# Application Procedures

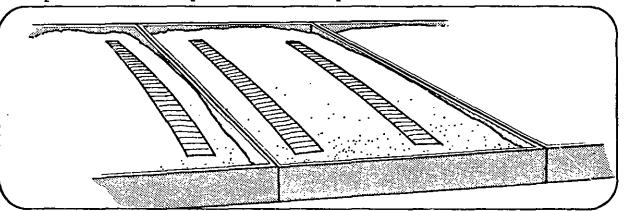
Detia® Gas EX-B....Method One.

 Calculate desage on the basis of 3 bags per 1000 cubic feet. Dosage is always calculated on total hold volume irrespective of the amount or quantity of commodity loaded into the hold.

2. Open cans, remove bags and insert into the pockets of "bag blankets":



3. Place the "bag blankets" fully extended onto the commodity surface. Space several feet apart. Don't overlap.



- 4. Close the hatch cover immediately after blankets are in place.
- 5. Post "DANGER" signs in prominent locations on the outside of the hatch cover.

Detia® Gas EX-B....Method 1wo.

This method utilizes pre-packed bag blankets (100 bags per can).

- 1. Open cans and remove the bag blankets.
- 2. Place the rolled-up blankets onto the commodity surface and unroll until fully extended.
- 3. See steps 3, 4, 5, under Method One.

# Detia Gas EX-B...Method Three.

In lieu of either Method One or Method Two the bags may be uniformly scattered onto the commodity surface or probed in to any depth desired, with spacing between each. These methods necessitate securing the bags to one or more continuous lengths of stout cord to facilitate easy removal at the port of discharge.

# Detia® Tablets

- 1. Calculate dosage on the basis of 33 tablets per 1000 cubic feet. Dosage is always calculated for total hold volume irrespective of the arount or quantity of commodity loaded into the hold.
- 2. Apply the tablets by scattering them uniformly onto the commodity surface utilizing as much of the total surface area as possible. To reduce gas loss and in order to delay the generation of phosphine as long as possible it may be appropriate to step the tablets into the surface of the commodity, or, to probe them in to any depth desired.
- 3. See steps 4 and 5 under Detia® Gas FX-B Method One.

# Detia® Pellets

- 1. Calculate dosage on the basis of 165 pellets per 1000 cubic feet. Dosage is always calculated for the total hold volume irrespective of the amount or quantity of commodity loaded into the hold.
- 2. See steps 2 and 3 under Detia® Tablets.

# TANKERS

# Prefumication Procedure

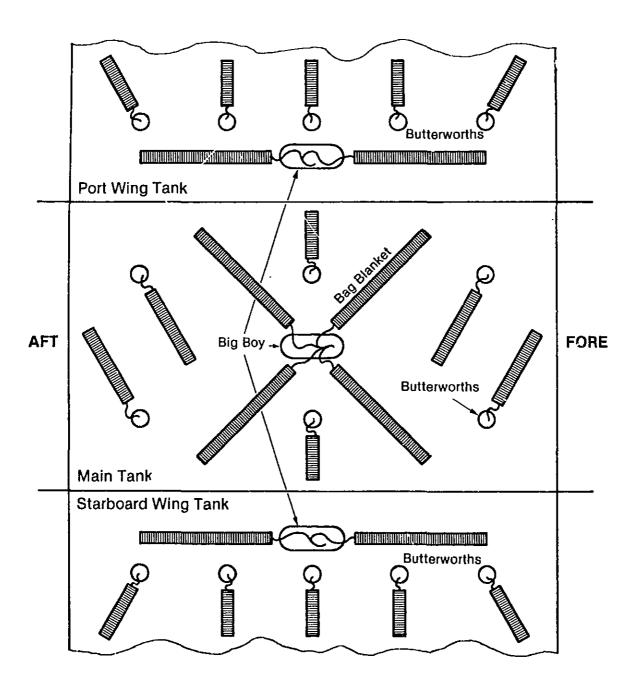
- Refer to and comply with the regulations found in U.S. Coast Guard Regulations 46 CFR 147A.
- 2. Determine fumigation suitability of vessel (ship) and be certain that the tank or tanks to be fumigated are of such seals le construction and/or integrity to permit an in-transit fumigation without danger to the crew during the application and subsequent voyage.
- 3. The overspace pressure relief system of each tank must be sealed by (1) the closure of appropriate valves, and (2) sealing the opening into the overspace with gas tight materials.

# Application Procedures

# Detia® Gas EX-B....Method One.

1. Calculate dosage on the basis of 3 bags per 1000 cubic feet. Dosage is always calculated on the total tank volume irrespective of the amount of commodity loaded into the tank.

- 2. A portion of the total number of bags designated for each tank <u>must</u> be allotted for placement in each butterworth and main hatch opening according to the portion of the tank served by that opening.
- 3. Determine the length and number of bag blankets required for each tank and cut to length accordingly.
- 4. Open cans and begin inserting the bags into the blankets. As each blanket is filled position it on to the commodity surface, fully extended. This generally necessitates first rolling up the blanket, lowering it into the tank through the butterworth and then unrolling down the slope of the commodity. For those blankets being applied through the Big Boy it will mean entering the tank, selecting an unobstructed slope and unrolling. See diagram below showing a typical bag blanket placement scheme.



- 5. Secure each blanket with a stout cord. Tie or otherwise secure the loose end to each butterworth opening plus the Big Boy. Do not leave any slack in the cord.
- 6. Close, secure and seal each butterworth and the Big Boy immediately following placement of the blankets.
- 7. Post "DANGER" signs.

# Detia® Gas EX-B....Method Two.

This method utilizes pre-packed bag blankets.

- 1. See steps 1 and 2 under method one for tankers.
- Determine the length and number of bag blankets required for each butterworth and the Big Boy. Be certain that the selected blanket "path" is unobstructed.
- 3. Open cans and remove the bag blankets. Open only enough cans to accommodate one butterworth at a time.
- 4. Unroll the blanket and cut them to length. Form a new roll, lower into position and unroll down the slope of the commodity until fully extended.
- 5. Repeat Step 4 for each butterworth and the Big Boy.
- 6. See Steps 5, 6, and 7 under TANKERS, Method One.

# Detia® Tablets

- 1. Calculate dosage on the basis of 33 tablets per 1000 cubic feet. Dosage is always calculated for total hold volume irrespective of the amount of commodity loaded into the hold.
- 2. Apply the tablets by scattering them uniformly onto the commodity surface utilizing as much of the total surface area as possible.
- 3. See steps 6 and 7 under TANKERS, Method One.

# Detia® Pellets

- 1. Calculate dosage on the basis of 165 pellets per 1000 cubic feet. Dosage is always calculated for the total hold volume irrespective of the amount of commodity loaded into the hold.
- 2. See steps 2 and 3 under Detia® Tablets.

# Post Funigation Procedures

1. Until the ship leaves port it will be necessary to regularly monitor all areas and spaces of the ship for the presence of hydrogen phosphide (phosphine) using appropriate phosphine detection equipment. Special attention

should be given to living quarters, kitchens, storerooms, mess halls, keel ducts, day rooms, the bridge, engine room and any other enclosed spaces occupied or frequented by crew members during a voyage.

Check the tanks and/or holds for leaks and re-seal if necessary.

# VOYAGE PRECAUTIONS AND PROCEDURES

Generally speaking crew members are free to move about the vessel in the usual manner. As a guide, however, the following minimum precautions should be followed:

- 1. DO NOT ENTER FUMICATED HOLDS OR TANKS.
- 2. AT RECULAR INTERVALS MONITOR ALL SPACES AND AREAS CONSIDERED TO BE SAFE FOR OCCUPANCY USING APPROPRIATE GAS DETECTION EQUIPMENT.
- 3. IF PHOSPHINE IS DETECTED, EVACUATE THE SPACE OR AREA, LOCATE AND SEAL OFF THE SOURCE OF THE LEAK WEARING APPROPRIATE RESPIRATORY PROTECTION EQUIPMENT.
- DO NOT OPEN OR OTHERWISE VENTILATE OR AERATE THE FUNGATED HOLDS.

# DISCHARGE PRECAUTIONS AND PROCEDURES

Upon arrival into the port of discharge holds or tanks may be opened. Any hydrogen phosphide in the free air space above the commodity will rapidly dissipate to atmosphere. There may be some gas remaining in the commodity mass itself which will disappear as discharge takes place.

If it is necessary for workers to enter holds the air space directly above the commodity mass should be tested for phosphine. If found in excess of allowed limits, it will be necessary to allow for additional aeration and/or ventilation.

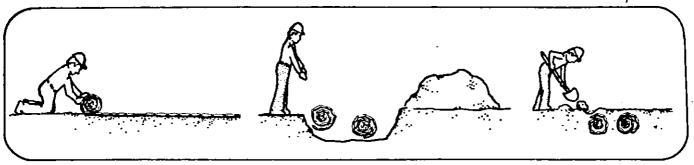
# DISPOSAL OF SPENT FUNIGANT PREPARATIONS

Detia® Tablets: Not necessary.

Detia® Pellets: Not necessary.

# Detia® Gas EX-B:

- 1. Remove from the commodity surface before discharge begins.
- 2. Roll up blankets and either burn or bury in an appropriate site. If individual bags were used collect and either burn or bury in an appropriate site.



# PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Because the release of phosphine from Detia® Pellets, Detia® Tablets, and Detia® Gas EX-B is delayed after exposure to air, it is usually not necessary for operators to wear gas masks. However, suitable respiratory protective equipment should be immediately available. Use full face masks with canisters meeting U.S. Bureau of Mines specifications for phosphine. Gloves should be worn when handling Detia® Pellets and Tablets.

# GAS DETECTION EQUIPMENT

All users of funigants should have, as standard equipment, gas detection devices designed specifically for phosphine. There are several devices readily available. Consult local suppliers of such equipment or contact Research Products Company for more information.

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